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SUBJ: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON POPULATION AND FOOD SUPPLY

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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, FOLLOWING IS TEXT DRAFT RESOLUTION ON POPULATION AND FOOD SUPPLY. COSPONSORS ARE AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH, BARBADOS, BURMA, COLOMBIA, EGYPT, GHANA, INDIA, IRAN, KENYA, KOREA, LESOTHO, MALAYSIA, MAURITANIA, NEPAL, NICARAGUA, PAKISTAN, PANAMA, PHILIPPINES, SIERRA LEONE, SRI LANKA, SUDAN AND TURKEY.

2. BEGIN TEXT QUOTE /ACHIEVEMENT OF A STABLE BALANCE BETWEEN POPULATION AND FOOD SUPPLY/. /THE WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE RECOGNIZING/ THAT UNPRECEDENTED POPULATION GROWTH, WHICH HAS DOUBLED THE WORLD'S POPULATION IN A SINGLE GENERATION, IS A MAJOR CAUSE OF THE INCREASING DEMAND FOR FOOD.

/REALIZING/ THAT DESPITE IMPROVED AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY AN APPRECIABLE SHARE OF THE HUMAN RACE CONTINUES TO BE SERIOUSLY UNDERNOURISHED, AND THAT MANY MILLIONS FACE ACTUAL STARVATION.

/BEARING/ IN MIND THAT THE EARTH IS FINITE AND ITS LAND AND WATER
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RESOURCES LIMITED, AND THAT FOOD PRODUCTION CANNOT BE INDEFINITELY

INCREASED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A CONSTANTLY DOUBLING WORLD POPULATION.

/RECALLING/ THAT IN RECENT MONTHS IN BUCHAREST OUR VARIOUS GOVERNMENTS HAVE AGREED BY CONSENSUS ON A WORLD POPULATION PLAN OF ACTION.

/NOW CALLS/ ON ALL GOVERNMENTS AND ON PEOPLE EVERYWHERE NOT ONLY TO MAKE EVERY POSSIBLE EFFORT TO GROW AND EQUITABLY DISTRIBUTE SUFFICIENT FOOD SO THAT ALL HUMAN BEINGS MAY HAVE AN ADEQUATE DIET-A SHORT-RANGE GOAL WHICH PRIORITY AND THE BEST TECHNIQUES MIGHT MAKE POSSIBLE - BUT ALSO TO SUPPORT, FOR A LONGER-TERM SOLUTION, SOUND POPULATION POLICIES RELEVANT TO NATIONAL NEEDS WITHIN A STRATEGY OF DEVELOPMENT WHICH WOULD ASSURE THE RIGHT OF ALL COUPLES TO DECIDE THE SPACING AND SIZE OF THEIR OWN FAMILIES. UNQUOTE

3. TEXTS OF OTHER REQUESTED DRAFT RESOLUTIONS FORWARDED SEPTLELS. VOLPE

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